

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 345

Congratulating the Oklahoma City Thunder on winning the 2025 National
Basketball Association Finals.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 29, 2025

Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. MULLIN) submitted the following
resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Oklahoma City Thunder on winning the
2025 National Basketball Association Finals.

Whereas, on Sunday, June 22, 2025, the Oklahoma City
Thunder (referred to in this preamble as the “Thunder”)
won the 2025 National Basketball Association (referred
to in this preamble as the “NBA”) Finals, defeating the
Indiana Pacers in Game 7 with a final score of 103-91
to win the series 4-3;

Whereas, in 2008, the Seattle SuperSonics relocated to Okla-
homa City, changing the name of the franchise to the
Thunder on arrival;

Whereas the 2008-2009 NBA season was the inaugural sea-
son of the Thunder in Oklahoma City;

Whereas the Thunder defeated the Memphis Grizzlies, Denver Nuggets, and Minnesota Timberwolves en route to the 2025 NBA Finals;

Whereas, on winning the 2025 NBA Finals, the Thunder secured the first NBA championship for the franchise since relocating to Oklahoma City;

Whereas the Thunder finished the 2024-2025 NBA regular season with 68 wins and 14 losses, a winning percentage of .829;

Whereas the 2025 NBA Finals was the first NBA Finals since 2016 to reach a Game 7;

Whereas, in Game 7 of the 2025 NBA Finals, the Thunder—

(1) trailed the Indiana Pacers 48-47 at halftime, making an incredible comeback in the second half to secure the win and championship; and

(2) shut down the Pacers offense, causing the Pacers to score its fewest points of any postseason game;

Whereas Shai Gilgeous-Alexander was named the Most Valuable Player of the NBA for the 2024-2025 regular season and the 2025 NBA Finals, scoring 29 points and 12 assists in Game 7 of the 2025 NBA Finals;

Whereas, during the 2024-2025 NBA season, the Thunder averaged 120.5 points per game, ranking fourth in the NBA, and only allowed their opponents to score an average of 107.6 points per game, outscoring their opponents by an average of 12.8 points per game, the best margin in the NBA during that season;

Whereas the Thunder victory parade passed in front of the Oklahoma City National Memorial, with 2025 marking the 30-year anniversary of the tragic 1995 Oklahoma City bombing;

Whereas an estimated 500,000 Thunder fans descended on
Oklahoma City to attend the victory parade; and

Whereas the entire State of Oklahoma rallied behind the
Thunder to celebrate the historic win of the Thunder in
the 2025 NBA Finals: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) congratulates the Oklahoma City Thunder
3 (referred to in this resolution as the “Thunder”) on
4 winning the 2025 National Basketball Association
5 Finals; and

6 (2) recognizes the Thunder for—

7 (A) its hard work and dedication to basket-
8 ball; and

9 (B) the excitement the Thunder bring to
10 the State of Oklahoma and fans everywhere.

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